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DIPLOMACY STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS:

BOT - Gulf of Bothnia LPL - Liverpool LYO - Gulf of Lyon LVN - Livonia
NAF - North Africa NAT - North Atlantic NRG - Norwegian Sea NTH - North Sea
NWY - Norway TRL - Tyrolia TYN - Tyrrhenian Sea

All others use the first three letters of their province name.

DIPLOMACY GAME 1 1918 FALL MOVES:

FRANCE WINS! GAME #1 ENDS!

RETREATS: *TURKEY - F BUL(EC) DISBANDS

RUSSIA: ELIMINATED, FALL 1906

TURKEY: *A ANK HOLDS, *A CON HOLDS¹

ITALY: ELIMINATED, FALL 1909

AUS/HU: ELIMINATED, FALL 1914

FRANCE: A BUR-BEL, A TRI-BUD, A VIE S A TRI-BUD, A BUL-RUM, A SER S A BUL-RUM, F
GRE-BUL(SC), F SMY-CON, F AEG S F SMY-CON, F EAS-SMY, A MUN HOLDS, F BRE HOLDS, F
SPA(SC) HOLDS, F MID HOLDS

GERMAN: ELIMINATED, FALL 1906

ENGLAN: *F KIE HOLDS, *F NTH HOLDS, *F BER HOLDS, *F NAT HOLDS, *F IRI HOLDS, *A SIL
HOLDS, *F BAL HOLDS, A RUM HOLDS², A BUD HOLDS³, *A SEV HOLDS, *A GAL
HOLDS, *A ARM HOLDS, *A LVN HOLDS

NOTE: *= NO ORDERS SUBMITTED, DEFAULT ORDERS

1) Defeated one-to-two. Unit is destroyed because it has no valid retreat.

2) Defeated one-to-two. Unit must DISBAND or RETREAT. Valid retreats include UKR.

3) Defeated one-to-two. Unit is destroyed because it has no valid retreat.

STATUS: (PLAYER NAME)COUNTRY(SUPPLY CENTERS/UNITS); V=OWNED, BUT VACANT;
O=OWNED, BUT OCCUPIED BY ANOTHER NATION; *=OCCUPIED, BUT NOT YET OWNED(*, O -
SPRING ONLY); #=UNIT DISLODGED, MUST RETREAT OR DISBAND; ?=OWNERSHIP DEPENDS
ON RETREATS(FALL ONLY)

(McCARROLL)RUSSIA(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1906

(BURKE)TURKEY(1/1): A ANK

(LEWIS)ITALY(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1909

(GOODWIN)AUS/HU(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1914

(ZARTOLAS)FRANCE(20/13): V VEN, V NAP, V TUN, A BEL, V POR, F BRE, V PAR, V MAR, F
SPA(SC), A MUN, F MID, V ROM, F AEG, A VIE, V TRI, F SMY, A SER, V GRE, F BUL(SC), A RUM,
A BUD, F CON

(BILSKI)GERMAN(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1906

(HAMMONS)ENGLAN(13/12): V HOL, F KIE, V STP, F NTH, V MOS, V SWE, V LON, V EDI, V LPL,
F BER, F NAT, V DEN, V NWY, F IRI, #A RUM, V WAR, F BAL, A SIL, A SEV, A GAL, A ARM, A
LVN

THAT'S ALL FOLKS! THE GAMES OVER. FRANCE WINS WITH 20! CENTERS, PICKING UP
FIVE CENTERS IN 1918. ENGLAND IS GIVEN A STRONG SECOND. TURKEY THIRD, WITH A
SURVIVAL TO THE END. AUSTRIA-HUNGARY FOURTH, ITALY FIFTH, AND GERMANY AND
RUSSIA TIED FOR SIXTH.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS GAME. IT WAS THIS GAME WHICH STARTED THE GAMER'S 'ZINE AND THIS GAME WHICH, IN AN EXPERIMENT TWO YEARS AGO, SET THE STAGE FOR THE CURRENT 'ZINE AND ITS CONTINUING PUBLICATION. I BELIEVE IT IS FAIR TO SAY THAT THE EXPERIMENT WAS A SUCCESS.

DIPLOMACY GAME 2 1915 WINTER BUILDS:

LAST ISSUE'S ERRORS: NONE REPORTED

RETREATS: ENGLAN: A BEL-RUH, A KIE-HOL, F NTH-DEN

RUSSIA: ELIMINATED, FALL 1905

TURKEY: ELIMINATED, FALL 1911

ITALY: BUILD F VEN

AUS/HU: BUILD A BUD, A VIE, F TRI

FRANCE: BUILD A PAR

GERMAN: ELIMINATED, FALL 1907

ENGLAN: NONE

NOTES: *=NO ORDERS SUBMITTED, DEFAULT ORDERS

STATUS: (PLAYER NAME)COUNTRY(SUPPLY CENTERS/UNITS), SEE ABOVE FOR CODES.

(FORD)RUSSIA(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1905

(McCARROLL)TURKEY(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1911

(CORNETT)ITALY(14/14): A MAR, V SPA, V ROM, V TUN, V NAP, V POR, V SMY, F NRG, F CON,

F ION, F ENG, V BRE, V LPL, F VEN, A EDI, F LON, F PIC, F TYN, A APU, A BEL, F NTH, A BUR

(MacRAE)AUS/HU(15/15): V RUM, V BUL, A BUD, A VIE, F TRI, A SER, F AEG, V SEV, A ANK, F

GRE, A TRL, A LVN, V MOS, V WAR, A BOH, A BER, A MUN, A STP, A FIN, A KIE

(LEWIS)FRANCE(1/1): A PAR

(ELIAS)GERMAN(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1907

(ZARTOLAS)ENGLAN(4/4): F DEN, V SWE, A HOL, A NWY, A RUH

SPRING 1916 MOVES ARE DUE AUG 20, 1983.

DIPLOMACY GAME 3. 1908 SPRING MOVES:

LAST ISSUE'S ERRORS: NONE REPORTED.

RETREATS: N/A

RUSSIA: F NWY-STP(NC), F SKA-NWY, F BAL-DEN, A DEN-KIE, A KIE-RUH, A WAR-GAL¹

A UKR S A SEV-RUM², A SEV-RUM³, A MOS-SEV⁴

TURKEY: ELIMINATED, FALL 1903

ITALY: A ANK-ARM, F BLA S A ANK-ARM, F CON-AEG, A ROM-VEN, A VEN-TRL, F NAT

HOLDS, F MID HOLDS, F WES HOLDS, F TYN-TUN⁵

AUS/HU: A TRL-MUN, A BOH S A TRL-MUN, A GAL-UKR⁶, A RUM S A GAL-URK⁷, A

BUD S A RUM, A VIE S A GAL⁸

FRANCE: F TUN-WES, A MAR-SPA, A BRE-GAS, A PAR-PIC

GERMAN: ELIMINATED, FALL 1907

ENGLAN: *F HOL HOLDS, *F NRG HOLDS, *F BAR HOLDS, *F BER HOLDS, *F BEL HOLDS, *F NTH HOLDS

NOTES: *=DEFAULT ORDERS, NO ORDERS SUBMITTED.

1)Standoff one-to-one. Unit does not move.

2)Standoff one-to-one. Unit does not move. Support is cut.

3)Standoff one-to-two. Unit does not move.

4)Illegal order. Target province not vacant. Unit does not move.

5)Standoff one-to-one. Unit does not move.

6)Standoff one-to-one. Unit does not move.

7)Standoff two-to-one. Support is cut.

8)Illegal order. The unit supported moved.

9)Standoff one-to-one. Unit does not move.

STATUS: (PLAYER NAME)COUNTRY(SUPPLY CENTERS/UNITS), SEE ABOVE FOR CODES.

(GALLOGLY)RUSSIA(9/9): V SWE, F STP(NC), A MOS, A WAR, F NWY, F DEN, A SEV, A UKR, O

MUN, A KIE, A RUH

(McCARROLL)TURKEY(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1903

(CUNNINGHAM)ITALY(9/9): F TYN, V ROM, A VEN, V NAP, V CON, V SMY, V GRE, V ANK, F WES, F MID, O SPA, F NAT, V POR, F BLA, F AEG, A TRL, A ARM
(WHITNEY)AUS/HU(6/6): A VIE, V BUL, A BUD, A RUM, V TRI, *A MUN, V SER, A GAL, A BOH
(BAHL)FRANCE(4/4): V MAR, F TUN, V BRE, V PAR, *A SPA, A PIC, A GAS
(BERNARD)GERMAN(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1907
(RICHARDS)ENGLAN(6/6): V EDI, V LON, F HOL, F NRG, F BAR, F BER, V LPL, F BEL, F NTH
FALL 1908 MOVES ARE DUE AUG 20, 1983

DIPLOMACY GAME 4. 1905 WINTER BUILDS:

LAST ISSUE'S ERRORS: NONE REPORTED.

RETREATS: AUS-HUN: A SER-TRI

RUSSIA: ELIMINATED, FALL 1904

TURKEY: BUILD F SMY, A ANK

ITALY: DISBAND F LYO

AUS/HU: NONE

FRANCE: ELIMINATED, FALL 1904

GERMAN: BUILD A BER, A MUN, A KIE

ENGLAN: NONE

NOTES: *=NO ORDERS SUBMITTED, DEFAULT ORDERS

STATUS: (PLAYER NAME)/COUNTRY(SUPPLY CENTERS/UNITS), SEE ABOVE FOR CODES.

(BERKOWITZ)RUSSIA(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1904

(KLEIMAN)TURKEY(7/7): V CON, A ANK, F SMY, F NAP, F BLA, F GRE, A BUL, A SER

(GOODWIN)ITALY(4/4): A VEN, V ROM, F TUN, F ION, A MAR

(WHITNEY)AUS/HU(3/3): A TRI, A BUD, A VIE

(DOYLE)FRANCE(0/0): ELIMINATED, FALL 1904

(CERETTA)GERMAN(10/10): V DEN, F SWE, V HOL, A GAS, A KIE, A BER, A MUN, V MOS, V WAR, A BUR, A UKR, A PIE, A SEV, A RUM

(LEWIS)ENGLAN(10/10): F NWY, A BEL, V LON, V LPL, V EDI, F MID, F STP(NC), A PAR, F ENG, F NTH, A BRE, A SPA, V POR, F WES

SPRING 1906 MOVES ARE DUE AUG 20, 1983.

DIPLOMACY GAME 5 IS NOW CLOSED. I HAVE RECEIVED PREFERENCE LISTS FROM THE FOLLOWING: CARTIER, BECK, BARTOL, WHITNEY. CARTIER(CALIFORNIA) HAS OFFERED TO WITHDRAW FROM GAME 5 IN PREFERENCE FOR AN OPENING IN GAME #7. I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT MR. CARTIER IS WELCOME TO PLAY IN GAME #5, BUT I RECOGNIZE THAT HE WOULD FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE PLAYING IN A NATIONAL GAME, RATHER THAN PLAYING IN A GAME WHERE HE WAS THE ONLY NON-CONNECTICUT PLAYER. THEREFORE AS SOON AS THE FOLLOWING FOUR SUBMIT THEIR PREFERENCE LISTS GAME #5 WILL START: CERETTA, ROSENZWEIG, KENNEDY, PARKHURST.

DIPLOMACY GAME 6 WILL BE OPENED AND RESERVED FOR NGAP(NORTHEAST GAMING ASSOCIATION) PLAYOFF CLUBS. THIS WILL BE AN INTERCLUB EVENT DESIGNED TO STIMULATE AND DEVELOP MORE INTERCLUB GAMING. SPECIAL RULES WILL APPLY. THIS GAME, UNLIKE OTHER FBM GAMES RUN IN THIS ZINE WILL HAVE A MONTHLY TURN, NOT A TWICE A MONTH TURN TO PERMIT CLUB MEETINGS TO BE USED TO DETERMINE THE MOVES TO BE SUBMITTED. EACH CLUB MUST DESIGNATE ONE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY TO SUBMIT MOVES ON BEHALF OF THE CLUB. ONLY THAT PERSON MAY SUBMIT MOVES, BUT MULTIPLE SIGNATURES OF CLUB OFFICERS IS ENCOURAGED TO AUTHENTICATE THE MOVES. EACH CLUB IS ENCOURAGED TO DESIGNATE ONE DIPLOMAT TO CORRESPOND WITH EACH OTHER CLUB, FOR EXAMPLE, IF A CLUB IS PLAYING RUSSIA, SIX PERSONS SHOULD BE APPOINTED AS DIPLOMATS, ONE TO ENGLAND, ONE TO TURKEY, ONE TO GERMANY, ONE TO AUSTRIA-HUNGARY, ONE TO FRANCE AND ONE TO ITALY. ALL MANNER OF INTRIGUE IS ENCOURAGED AS WELL AS FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS BETWEEN DIPLOMATS AND EVEN ENTIRE ENVOYS (WITH OTHER FTF GAMES BEING PLAYED DURING THE NEGOTIATIONS NO DOUBT - WHY WASTE A GOOD MEETING?)

IN ALL OTHER RESPECTS, THE GAME WILL BE RUN THE SAME AS ANY OTHER PBM DIPLOMACY GAME WITH RESULTS PUBLISHED MONTHLY IN THE GAMER'S 'ZINE.

THE FEE FOR THE GAME IS \$8 PER CLUB. ALSO, AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF THE CLUB SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO THE ZINE(SEE THE RATES ON PAGE ONE), BUT MULTIPLE SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE ENCOURAGED - EACH DIPLOMAT MAY WANT HIS OWN COPY.

DIPLOMACY GAME NUMBER 7 IS NOW OPEN. THIS GAME IS RESERVED AS A NATIONAL PLAYER'S GAME. NO MORE THAN TWO PLAYERS FROM THE SAME TELEPHONE AREA CODE WILL BE PERMITTED INTO THIS GAME. INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN SIGNING UP FOR THIS GAME SHOULD SUBMIT AN \$8 ENTRY FEE TO THE GAMER'S 'ZINE, 27 MARK STREET, MILFORD, CT, 06460. A SUBSCRIPTION IS NECESSARY TO RECEIVE THE ZINE, BUT NOT OTHERWISE REQUIRED. SEE THE SUBSCRIPTION RATES ON PAGE ONE. ONE PLAYER HAS SIGNED UP FOR THIS GAME(CARTIER).

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STANDBYS ARE WANTED - ANY PLAYER CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN A DIPLOMACY GAME IN THE GAMER'S 'ZINE MAY HAVE THEIR NAME PLACED ON MY STANDBY LIST FOR THE ASKING. ANY NONE PLAYER MAY HAVE THEIR NAME ADDED TO MY STANDBY LIST FOR A ONE-TIME CHARGE OF \$1. A SUBSCRIPTION IS NECESSARY TO RECEIVE THE ZINE.

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NAME	SL	STR	CON	END	EXPERTISE	MA REGIMENT	MIST	CLUB	CROWNS	FAVORS
Bic	14	16	12	192	11+2.25r/lc/w	8 Bvt Lt. Gen	J	BW	5674\$	4,4,3
deLampalle	18	16	8	128	16+8r	10 Maj/KM	-*	MR	389	6
deSod	Killed in a duel with Van Rijn.....									R.I.P.
Diderot	15	16	9	144	13+5.5r	10 Lt Col/GR	E	BW	9064\$	4,2,6,7
Dolokhov	19*	10	7	70	16+5.25s/y	5 Bvt Bde Gen	G	MR	9908	6,4,9
Dubois	8	14	11	154	10+24s/.5r	3 Col/GMD	D	BG	759	1,3,4
Frontenac	11	16	13	208	8+2.75r	4 Maj/CG	B	HUNT	116	2,1,3
Jardin	17*	14	10	140	3+5.5s	3 Lt Col/CPC	A	MR*	1023	5,4
Lafayette	15	9	11	99	10+8.5r	6 Bvt General	K	BW	4856+	4,5,6
LeFleur	23*	14	6	84	7+17.75s	6 Col/DG	N	MR	15518	8,7,4,4
Matusse	12	11*	15	165*	9+3s/1.5r	3 Maj/KM	M	BW*	1776	3,6
Petitpois	Killed in action at the front.....									R.I.P.
Terrault	10*	13*	13	169*	8+7.75s	2 Maj/CPC	S	RP	733	2,3,4
Van Rijn	27	13	9	117	18+12.25s/z	6 Col/CPC	R*	MR	55807	9,9,9,9,9

w +11.25FR(foot racing), +2H(horsemanship), +3M(marksmanship).

y +9M, +10.25H

z +10M, +10H

\$ +1000 cr. each in Arms & Finance

+ +1000 cr. invest. in Commerce

TITLES:

Knight: Jardin & Matusse

Baron: Dolokhov

Marquis: LeFleur

Count: Van Rijn

* indicates a change (Expertise, Crowns, Mention Points and Favors change frequently and thus are not marked)

@ indicates a temporary change

MISTRESSES: SL (* kept, B=Beauty, I=Influence, W=Wealthy)

*Anne-Marie	11	BW	Fifi	6	B	*Katherine	15	Paulette	11		
*Babbette	8	BIW	*Giselle	18	B	Linette	13	W	Quintina	10	IW
Celeste	8	I	Heloise	13	BW	*Margueritte	14	BW	*Roxanne	18	IB
*Desiree	10	IW	*Isabelle	9	B	*Natasha	11	IW	*Susette	11	
*Elise	15	I	*Josephine	11	B	Olivia	17	W	Theresa	8	BW

MENTION POINTS:

Bic	7,5,5(5)	Dolokhov	(4)	Lafayette	5,3,3(3)	Terrault	(1)
deLampalle	(16)	Dubois	(1)	LeFleur	(7)	Van Rijn	(4)
Diderot	(8)	Jardin	(7)	Matusse	(4)		

MILITARY APPOINTMENTS:

Bic: Brigadier (1st Ft)	Lafayette: Army CO(1st)	Le Fleur: Min. of Just(exp.12/15)
Diderot: Div. Adj. (1st)	Terrault: Aide to Gen.	Van Rijn: Min. of St. (exp. 7/15)
Dolokhov: QM Gen. (1st A)		

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS:Rules Additions, Deletions, Clarifications and Modifications:

1. If a mistress is ignored for an entire season (except those season when the character is on campaign) she may leave the character (reroll on Mistress Courting Table). If she is ignored for 2 seasons (INCLUDING a campaign if the character has volunteered himself!!!) she will automatically leave him!

LE GOSSIPÉ PARISIENNE

PETITPOIS KILLED AT FRONT! DESOD DIES IN DUEL! (GP): In the field, Gen. Lafayette took charge of the Frontier Regiments and, in a brilliant piece of strategy, completely routed the Italians who had attempted to besiege him at a border outpost.

Strong support was received from such able commanders as Gen. Bic, who was promoted for his participation, Lt. Col. Diderot, exultant over his acquittal on a charge of treason, and the unfortunate Col. Petitpois who was honored posthumously by receiving the title of Baron. Col. Petitpois apparently chose a horse with a bit too much spirit and was carried to the enemy far ahead of his battalion. The Musketeers did manage to avenge their fallen leader and bear him the field with full honors.

Meanwhile, back in Paris, it appears that the Counts deSod and Van Rijn met on the doorstep of a certain Mlle. Roxanne and in the ensuing argument swords were drawn. M. Van Rijn has refused to talk about the duel, as have Mlle. Roxanne (who M. Van Rijn has been devoting a great deal of time and money to since the event) and a bodyguard in the employ of the Count. A street urchin who was, admittedly, some distance from the encounter, claims that he saw M. deSod throw up his hands just as Count Van Rijn delivered a vicious cut and that the Count deSod, at that point, slumped to the ground. Alas, one of the bright stars of the luminous Paris night has dimmed.

M. deLampalle also lost a duel (though not quite so terminally) and his mistress when he indiscreetly dueled Baron Dolokhov on the doorstep of Mlle. Giselle.

There were two parties in Paris this season. M. Jardin held a private party at the Moulin Rouge to celebrate his acceptance into the club and M. Frontenac threw a New Year's Eve Party for his regiment and some friends at Hunter's. Though the Cardinal didn't come, the unfortunate deSod did spend his last night on earth in merriment at the affair and the former Commissioner of Public Safety, Baron Dolokhov, who lost that position shortly thereafter when it was discovered that there was no chance of his convicting anyone of treason, was also seen drinking large tankards of the vile Russian vodka he seems to enjoy. It was a pity too, as M. Frontenac's father, the old Count, sent along some excellent "Old Bugleboy", the family wine, for the festivities.

M. Frontenac was seen twice this season parading in front of the offices of the Chancellor of the Exchequer with a sign on his back which read, "Major in the Army" and was selling apples to passersby. Other members of the Cardinal's Guard were seen at the same activity during the rest of the season.

Count Van Rijn has reportedly been eyeing the old LaKaboom Arms Plant and has been making comments about the Spanish getting too feisty and needing to bring culture to the Germans.

A great deal of gambling was going on this season with both Dolokhov and LeFleur seen dropping and winning large purses. M. Jardin also did well at the tables for a while. He apparently became interested in the gaming tables at Bothwell's and was heard to say, "the sporting life seems to be all the rage among the better classes. Never saw the sense of it, especially at just a couple hundred crowns at a crack, but this unlimited set-up is intriguing don't you know." Upon seeing his companion, Mlle Anne-Marie drawn to the tables, he decided to take the plunge saying, "If it's to be done, do it right - that's the attitude that stood me in good against the Italians - all or nothing, go for broke, let's send the bastards fleeing! ROLL, CROUPIER!!" and a hush fell on the crowd. The roll was his and prudently tucking his original stake in his pocket he continued to bet for some time with somewhat smaller bets until he was finally left with nothing but that original bet. He said something to the effect of, "Great fun, can't be beat...didn't know I had it in me...friend to all...the night is lovely...Paris is the best place on earth".

M. Jardin has announced that he will throw a party to end all parties in the second week of March. The King, on the other hand, has had to cancel the Mardi Gras festivities which normally would have been held during the first week of March because there is not enough money in the treasury. The King is not pleased!

The following letter arrives too late, alas, but is printed here in the interest of national security:

Le Comte deSod
Cardinal's Guard
FPO Grenoble

Feb. 26, 1615

Monsieur le Comte:

We fight the Italians, but their mercenaries are paid with Spanish gold and they use Spanish saltpeter in their gunpowder.

Our fleet at Toulon effectively prevents them from shipping from Spain to either

Genoa or Leghorn, and as a result, virtually all of this trade must go through Naples, and many of their munitions plants are located there. Cut off the Naples trade and you cut off the enemy army in Italy!

Now, the fortifications of Naples are quite formidable, but the capture of the island of Capri and the installations of artillery and a flotilla of sloops and corvettes there would certainly seriously impede the usefulness of the port. An operation to seize the island would not require a great deal of manpower -- say, a battalion of Royal Marines and a battalion of the Cardinal's Guard. By the way, Capri is a very wealthy resort, not to mention any kickbacks from the Navy's prizes!

Obviously this expedition would have to be commanded by an able and experienced soldier such as monsieur, and I would volunteer to lead the assault myself. I envy monsieur in being away from Paris -- the shopkeepers are all surly and uncooperative, and the left bank is full of barricades.

Yr. Obt. Servant,
Maj. B.C. Frontenac
CG/3BN
37 Rue de Valles
Merdemontre, Paris

Dear Scum,
Not long ago, at the Red Mill
Crooked on rum, buttered,
For which you paid no bill,
A challenge you uttered
All slurred and garbled
At which the crowd stirred & muttered
And, seeing you standing, marveled
That you could see, let alone stutter.
The man who's name
You put to such shame
Is a cousin to me
So we must duel, you see
I'll see you at the Culisee tomorrow
Where you will suffer, to my great
sorrow!

Matusse

Midder Peter Pot...Pettit Point...What-
ever the hell yer name ish...schum like
you shouldn't be awake...I mean allowed...
allowed to um...what was I eaying? Oh,
yer gonna die tomorrer at dawn! Where?
Oh, um, at the colisee. You ain't fit to
...of course I can schtand up...leggo my
arm cretinous scum...Unfortunately, M.
Terrault was not able to finish his letter
but he asked that this be forwarded to
what he called the Parisienne Daily News.
His friends stated that this meant your
publication, M. le Duc D'Avignon.

-I.M.A. Subservient-Lackey
Head Cretin - Bothwell's
for M. C. Terrault

The above was presumably written in
response to M. Terrault's insult to
M. Petitpois who, of course, can not respond himself.

M l'editor: By Damn - compliments to the editor of le Gossipe Parisienne - you
have taken to publishing fiction etories. You should tell your readers though
what audience you been wanting. Vas der story about deSod de hero (by damn that's
a funny one), a farce or is it being a fairy tale for das kinder? If it being a
fairy tale, you not should use deSod example for das kinder. I sooner tell das
young people to go play in front of a loaded cannon than give them moral example
of dot limp wrist dandy. Das only fairy tale he fit to be in is "Page Boys in
Bondage"! Das scum has robbed the Exchequer blind und I say he's gonna get his
cause I didn't get my...cause I owe it to our brave Wehrmacht who don't get paid
dis time.

Le Comte Van Rijn

It would appear that the Count made good his promise.